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- 1. WHILE ARCHIE WESTON HAS NOT BEEN IN CONTACT CONSULATE OR EMBASSY OHR EBLLIER-MANDENG TIMBER PROJECT (REFTEL A), LOUIS G. PASVANTIS OF UNITED AMERICAN INSURANCE CO., CHICAGO, OF SAME ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER INVESTMENT PROMOTION DEPARTMEN, INC. (REFTEL D) CAME IN CONSULATE OCTOBER 31, IN COMPANY TWO OTHER ENTREPRENEURS, ATTEMPTING SELL TIMBER PROCESSING EQUIPMENT. STEVE BETZELOS (SEE SUBJECT) WHO ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH SUNSEC CONSTRUCTION AND SUNSET REALITY DOING MOST OF TALKING IN ENGLISH WHILE CANADIAN ASSOCIATE ALBERT JERASSY, PART PLAZA GARDENS CORP., SUITE 320 3414 PARK AVENUE, MONTREAL, CANADA CARRYING THE BALL IN FRENCH. JERASSY CLAIMS HAVE WOOD PREFAB HOUSING PROCESS WHICH HE SELLING NIGERIA AND/OR CYPRES.
- 2. THEY HAVE BEEN TALKING WITH CAMEROONIAN PROMOTER BERNARD ZACHEE MATOKO, DIRECTOR ENTERPRISE MABEZA OF DOUALA AND EL HADJ OUSMANOU MIDJIGNAWA, PDG SICOBI, YAOUNDE. BETZELOS HAS PROPOSAL PREPARED BASED ON MANDENG INFO FOR SAWMILL, VENEER PLANT, PLYWOOD PLANT, DOOR MANUFACTURING PLANT, LUMBER DRY KILNS AND VENEER DRYERS WHICH PRICES OUT BETWEEN DOL 6-10 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MILLION. TERMS TEN PER CENT DOWN AND CAMEROONIAN GOVT GUARANTEE.

THEY AWARE COLLIER DEALINGS MANDENG AND CONFLICTING CONTRACTS. PASVANTIS HAS DOLL 2 MILLION NOTE SIGNED BY MANDENG AND THREATENING SUE ALL PARTIES IN SIGHT. HE CLAIMS COLLIER HIS EMPLOYEE WHO STOLE INFO PROVIDED BY MANDENG TO COME OUT MONTH EARLY TO PREEMPT HIS BUSINESS. PASVANTIS-BETZELOS-JERASSY BEING BOUGHT AND SOLD

AMONG LOCAL PROMOTERS AND CONFUSED BY WHOLE OPERATION. THEY EXPECTED GO YAOUNDE WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS AND ENTER NEGOTIATIONS WITH EL HADJ OUSMANOU (WHO THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD IS COUSIN OF PRIME MINISTER - A DUBIOUS CLAIM).

3. WHILE PRESENT VISITORS APPEAR MORE EXPERIENCED AND BUSINESS LIKE IN APPROACH, ANY BACKGROUND INFO WHICH DEPT OR USDOC COULD PROVIDE WOULD BE USEFUL IN ANSWERING INQUIRIES WHICH OTHER BUSINESSMEN ARE RAISING. PASVANTIS CLAIMS HE HAS BACKING FIRST NATIONAL BANK CHICAGO AND BETZELOS CLAIMS HAVE MET SECRETARY KISSINGER FOUR TIMES AND PRESIDENT FORD ONCE IN CAPACITY HIS ASSOCIATION ORDER AHEPA INVOLVEMENT TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO. THEY PLAN RETURNING US VIA LAGOS AND ATHENS, SO DEPT MAY WISH ADVISE THOSE POST ON ACTIVITIES THIS TRIUOVIRATE.

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